

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Sanjay Aiyagari, et al.

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Examiner: Paul Kim

For: **ROLE-BASED ACCESS CONTROL ENFORCED BY FILESYSTEM OF AN
OPERATING SYSTEM**

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REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed July 25, 2008, the shortened statutory period for which runs until October 25, 2008, please reconsider the subject application in light of the remarks herein.

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is concurrently filed herewith.

I. SUMMARY OF THE REJECTIONS

Claims 1-4, 7-11, 13, 16-20, 39-42, 45-49, 51, and 54-58 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,950,822 issued to Idicula et al. (“*Idicula*”) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,911,143 issued to Deinhart et al. (“*Deinhart*”), and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,279,111 issued to Jensenworth et al. (“*Jensenworth*”). This rejection is respectfully traversed.